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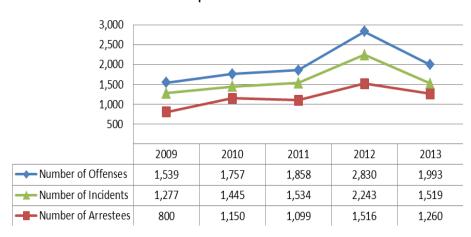
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#### Primary Bakken Area Crime Report

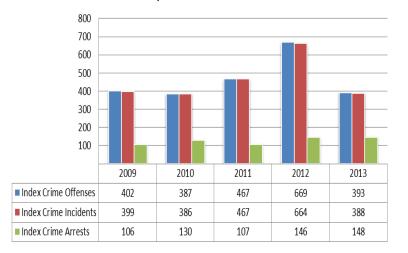
The Primary Bakken Region includes crime data from the following counties: Daniels, Richland, Roosevelt, and Sheridan. Offenses were up 84%, arrestees were up 90%, and incidents increased 76% in 2012 compared to 2009. However, in 2013 offenses decreased 30%, incidents decreased 32%, and arrestees decreased 17%. The five-year trend shows an overall increase of offenses (29%), incidents (19%), and arrestees (58%). 2012 marked a spike in crime known to law enforcement that greatly decreased in 2013.

#### Number of Offenses Compared to Arrestees 2009-2013

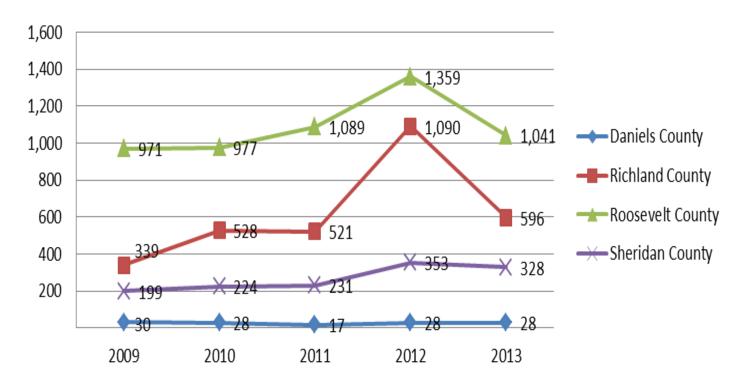


In 2013, index offenses dropped 41%; index incidents decreased 41% and index arrestees increased by 1%.

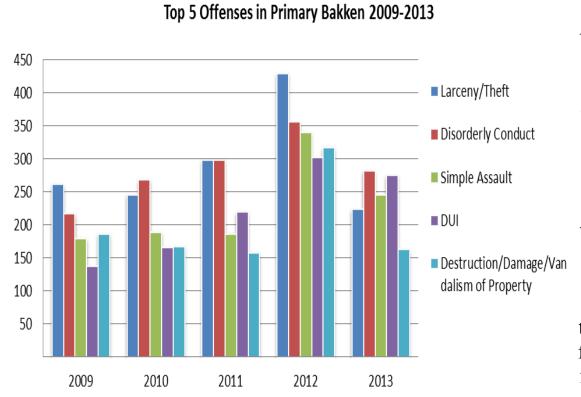
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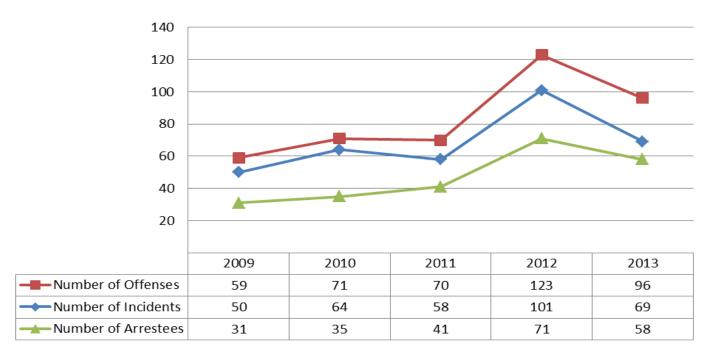


In each year, over the five-year period, Roosevelt County attributed the most offenses to the Primary Bakken Region's total offenses. In 2013, Roosevelt County accounted for 52% of the total offenses in the Primary Bakken Region. Richland County experienced the largest decrease in offenses (45%), of all the counties, in 2013 compared to 2012.



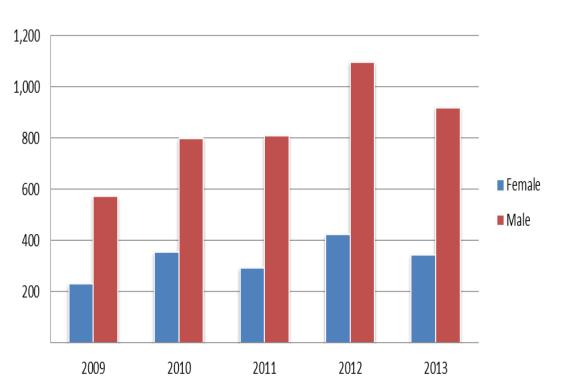
Combined, the top five reported offenses - larceny/theft; disorderly conduct; simple assault; driving under the influence: and destruction/damage/van dalism of property - accounted for 61.1% of the total reported offenses during the five-year period.

#### Domestice Violence-Related Offenses Compared to Incidents and Arrestees in the Primary Bakken 2009-2013



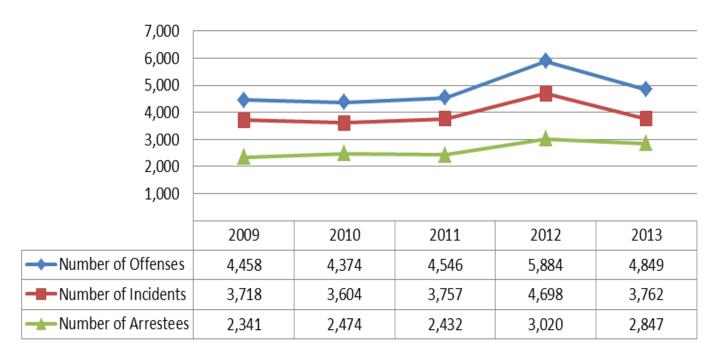
Domestic violence-related offenses (63%), incidents (38%), and arrestees (87%) increased dramatically over the five-year period. However, in 2013, domestic violence-related offenses (-22%), incidents (-32%), and arrestees (-18%) decreased compared to 2012. Below the chart shows male arrestees versus female arrestees for all offenses.

# Number of Arrestees by Gender in the Primary Bakken 2009-2013



Male arrestees more than double the number of female arrestees in each year during the five-year period.

# Number of Offenses Compared to Incidents and Arrestees 2009-2013



The second region, in addition to the aforementioned counties, includes: Custer, Dawson, Fallon, Garfield, McCone, Prairie, Valley, and Wibaux counties. Above the chart shows, in the Greater Bakken Region, the number of offenses (9%), incidents (1%), and arrestees (22%) increased over the five-year period. 2011-2012 experienced the most dramatic increases in offenses (29%), incidents (25%), and arrestees (24%), respectively. In 2013, offenses (-18%), incidents (-20%), and arrestees (-6%) decreased compared to 2012. The chart below shows the Montana overall crime rate versus each county the greater Bakken. In 2013, Custer (75 per 1,000), Dawson (134 per 1,000), Roosevelt (100 per 1,000), Sheridan (96 per 1,000), and Valley (86 per 1,000) counties had crime rates higher than the Montana crime rate. Daniels (16 per 1,000), Fallon (14 per 1,000), Garfield (17 per 1,000), McCone (22 per 1,000), Prairie (2 per 1,000), Richland (58 per 1,000), and Wibaux (4 per 1,000) Counties reported lower crime rates than Montana's overall crime rate in 2013.

# Montana Compared to Bakken Counties' Crime Rates 2009-2013

